

RE MARKS

The last Office Action has been carefully considered.

It is noted that claim 1 has been allowed in view of the prior art of record.

At the same time claims 1-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112.

The Examiner's indication of the allowance of claim 8 has been gratefully acknowledged. In connection with this indication, claim 8 has been retained as it was filed originally and as it was allowed by the Examiner.

After carefully considering the Examiner's grounds for the rejection of claims 1-7, applicant amended claims 1 and 4, which are independent claims, to depend on the allowed claim 8. Claims 1 and 4 have been also amended in formal aspects.

The Examiner's statement is correct. Claim 8 defines the paper for printing, while claims 1 and 4 define the paper, on which the printing has been performed.

The retained dependent claims 2, 3 and 5, 6, 7 has not been changed and they depend on the amended claims 1 and 4 correspondingly.

Since claim 1 and 4 now include the features of the allowed claim 8, it is believed that they should be considered as being allowable as well, together with the dependent claims which depend on claims 1 and 4 correspondingly.

It is respectfully requested to allow claims 1-7, which now directly or indirectly depend on claim 8 as well. If however the Examiner is of opinion that claims 1-7 have to be further modified or canceled, he is respectfully requested to place a telephone call and discuss this issue with the undersigned, to expedite the examination.

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application with all the claims currently on file is most respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawings be further amended or corrected in formal respects in order to place this case in condition for final allowance, then it is respectfully requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment, and the case be passed to issue. Alternatively, should

the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance; he is invited to telephone the undersigned (at 631-549-4700).

Respectfully submitted,



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